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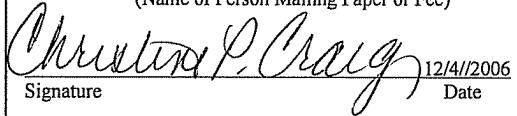
Sir:

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group VI, claims 73-75, directed to a method of identifying genomic regions involved in the development of cancer, without traverse.

In addition, Applicants hereby elect the species of two (at least two) genomic regions as follows: Ninj2 (Celera gene symbol mCG5780) and mCG16439 mouse homologue of CILP (cartilage intermediate layer protein), with traverse. If the Examiner means for Applicants to elect a single genomic region, Applicant hereby elects the species of Ninj2 (Celera gene symbol mCG5780), with traverse.

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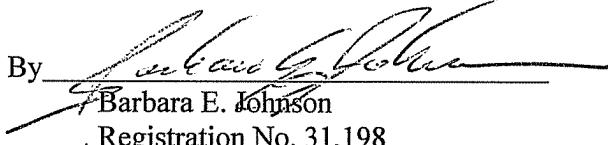
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The method of claims 73-75 is directed to the method of identifying genomic regions involved in the development of cancer, so requiring election of species of genomic regions thus identified reverses the logic of the invention. If the method steps of claims 73 and 74 are searched as method steps, the search will by definition embrace all of the genomic regions identified in claim 75. Withdrawal of the species election regarding Group VI is therefore respectfully requested.

Examination and allowance of claims 73-75 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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